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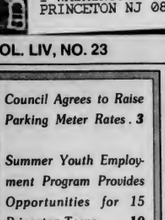

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Garden Is Now Closed For Major Renovations; To Open by Year's End

Fortunately for Princeton, the 80-year-old Garden Theatre seems to have more lives than a cat. It closed on Thursday — this time for three or four months. (It was shut for a year in 1992.) When it reopens, the town's only movie theater will offer all the improvements Princeton moviegoers have wanted, and then some. (Was anyone even so much as hoping for some stadium seating?).

Built originally to accommodate Princeton University's Triangle Club, The Garden took on a new life as a movie theater when Triangle moved to McCarter Theatre in the late 20's. The Garden changed hands several times in the next few decades, until United Artists, saying it would cost too much to repair violations, pulled up stakes and closed it in November 1992.

Shut down for a full year, The Garden reopened under a lease agreement with Theater Management Corporation, which continues to run it. The owner of The Garden is Princeton University, which announced at a press conference last Thursday its intention to spend in excess of $600,000 to renovate the movie house.

The Garden will get new seats, bathrooms, and projection and sound equipment. The roof and electrical system will be repaired, and, if the budget permits, some stadium seating will be provided. But stadium seating or not, "we'll have cup holders and intentionally reclining seats," said Louise Stephens, president of Theatre Management.

The renovation will be overseen by two architects and one general contractor. Princeton architect George Fett will be responsible for the exterior of the building. The interior, where most of the changes will take place, will be designed by New York City architect Robert Strada, who is internationally known for designing interior retail environments. General contractor will be Stephen Ventor, also of New York City, who specializes in movie theater construction.

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Man Robs Bank with Hunting Knife

FBI officials are on the lookout for a man who robbed the Third Federal Bank with an eight-inch hunting knife Monday morning. What started off as a routine morning for tellers at the bank, located in the Princeton Shopping Center, turned into a terrifying ordeal.

The suspect approached one of two tellers at 8:30 a.m. as he was unlocking the front door of the bank, and forced him back inside. He made the teller lock the outside door of the bank so no one else could get in.

The suspect ordered a second teller, already inside the bank, to turn off the lights. He then announced the holdup, and forced both tellers to empty the money from their teller drawers into a black gym bag.

After taking the money from the teller drawers, the suspect forced one of the tellers into the vault. He made the teller open one of the vault drawers and remove the cash that was inside.

The suspect took the money, and then led the tellers to another area of the bank where he bound them with tape. They were then ordered into an employee lavatory, where they remained until one of the tellers was able to sound the bank alarm, alerting Township Police that something was wrong.

The robber fled the bank, and according to FBI Agent Jim Dougherty, the mode of escape is unknown. The suspect is described as a black male in his early 20's, approximately 6'1 with a slender build. He was wearing a light blue shirt and tan trousers, and was carrying two black nylon gym bags.

Anyone with information regarding the identity of the robber should call the FBI Trenton Office at 883-4499 or the Princeton Township

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Consultant Will Embark on Study That Could Shape New Downtown

By the middle of November, everyone should know whether Princeton Borough will indeed move forward with the construction of a downtown garage. This is when the Borough's recently selected consultant is scheduled to provide a final report giving an economic and planning analysis of a potential garage and other development on Borough-owned land in the Central Business District. The land in question includes both the Park and Shop (library) lot and the metered Spring Street lot.

Desman Associates was selected by Mayor and Council to do the $72,000 study. Working with the Manhattan-based consultant to provide an engineering, planning, architectural and financial analysis will be Ford Farewell Mills and Gatsch, a Princeton-area architectural firm; and The Williams Group, a real estate advisor and financial consultant located in New York City.

Four public meetings will be held at Borough Hall to gain input from Princeton residents as the study progresses. The first is expected to take place early in the process, but no date has yet been set.

When the name of the consultant was announced at last Tuesday night's Council meeting, Mayor Marvin Reed said he had been very

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HOLDUP SCENE: The Third Federal Savings Bank in the south end of the Princeton Shopping Center was the scene of a robbery early Monday morning. The bank robber escaped with an undetermined amount of cash and is still at large. *(Photo by Charles Price)*

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In the Past

Though rare, bank robberies are not entirely unknown in Princeton. In the past three decades, Nassau Street banks have been robbed no fewer than six times, and on two of those occasions, the robberies turned violent.

In February of 1968, Kirsti L. Pfister, a 27-year-old teller at Princeton Bank and Trust (on Palmer Square, where PNC Bank is now), was shot and killed by José H. Soto in a botched holdup.

Witnesses reported hearing Soto ask the victim for money, to which she replied, "You must be kidding." He then shot her once, in the heart, through the small transaction opening in the teller's bullet-proof window. Mrs. Pfister, a Kingston resident who had graduated from Princeton High School, died instantly. Soto was apprehended 3½ weeks later, in a New York city apartment. He was eventually sentence to life in prison.

A 23-year-old former mental patient unsuccessfully attempted to hold up Princeton Bank and Trust in November of 1973, claiming that a satchel full of dirty laundry was actually a bomb. A teller gave him $5,000 in cash, but only seconds later, the suspect, Curtis D. Reid of Oregon, surrendered peacefully to the customer who had been behind him in line.

In June of 1981, Chestnut Street resident Robert Wright, a self-employed plumber, entered the New Jersey National Bank on Nassau Street. He menaced employees with a handgun, and looted more than $10,000 from the tellers' drawers. He escaped on foot through Princeton Borough, but was apprehended less than a day later.

In February of 1992, Pennsylvania house painter, Michael Lyons, made Princeton a stop on his 16-bank spree of robberies that lasted more than three months. He escaped from CoreStates/New Jersey National Bank on Nassau Street with $568 in cash. The FBI captured him in May of that year.

Sovereign Bank

A more notorious bank robbery was the theft of an estimated $160,000 from the Sovereign Bank on Nassau Street in November of 1997. In the aftermath of that crime, 20-year-old Angel Rivera was shot to death at the hands of the police. He and two accomplices, ex-Sovereign employee Harold Davila and Sandy Casiano, took two tellers hostage after the bank had closed.

Davila and Casiano escaped after a car-jacking and high-speed chase down Jefferson Road, but Davila was arrested in Princeton four days later. Casiano was apprehended several months afterwards in New York City.

Most recently, in December 1999, the Summit Bank on Nassau Street near the Harrison Street intersection was robbed of a small amount of cash by a heavy-set man subsequently dubbed the "puffy cheeked" bandit. The 5'8 young black male handed a teller a note demanding money and threatened to shoot people if the teller did not comply.

The robber subsequently ran down Markham Road and has not yet been caught.

Designer Sheet Bandit Strikes Matteo & Co.

Princeton Borough Police responded to Matteo and Company on Hulfish Street after receiving a shoplifting report. According to the police, $790 worth of designer sheets was stolen from the store.

Employees of the store saw a suspect in the store who was acting suspicious, and also said an object was seen bulging from his pants. He is described as an Hispanic male, in his 30's, with dark hair and pock marks on his face.

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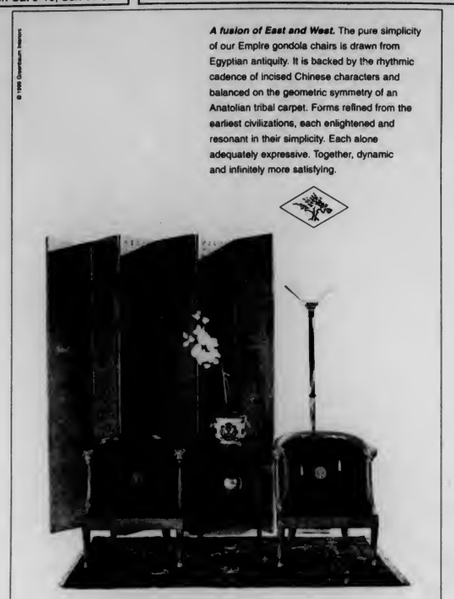

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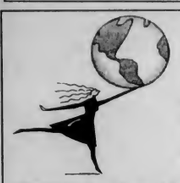
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Council, After Many a Meeting, Agrees on Meter Rate Changes

It took a number of discussions — including one that lasted more than 2½ hours last Tuesday night — before Borough Council could finally agree on a plan of meter increases that should net the desired revenue stream of $200,000 a year. This is the amount — equivalent to a tax of 2 cents per $100 of assessed valuation — that Council has determined will help restrain tax increases for Borough property owners next year and in the years to come.

Attorneys will begin the work of drafting an ordinance reflecting these increases, and this is expected to be introduced at the September 5 Council meeting.

The bulk of the meter changes will take place in the Central Business District. In the heart of the CBD, the hourly rate would rise from 75 cents to $1; meters would run until 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday; and Sunday afternoon hours, from 1 to 6 p.m., would be introduced.

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This area encompasses Palmer Square, Hulfish Street, the north side of Nassau Street from Bayard Lane to Vandeventer Avenue, the east side of Chambers Street, Witherspoon Street from Nassau to Spring and Hulfish streets; and the metered Borough lots on Witherspoon and Spring streets. All short-term meters would also be charged at the $1 hourly rate, and would continue to 8 p.m.

Meters on the north side of Nassau Street, and on both sides of Nassau Street from Vandeventer to Chestnut, would remain at 75 cents an hour, but they would run until 8 p.m.

Over the objections of the majority of the Traffic and Transportation Committee, the Borough will introduce five-hour meters. These will be on North Tulane Street, the east end of Spring Street, the northern end of Vandeventer Avenue, and the northern end of University Place. These meters are intended to serve the needs of part-time employees.

Traffic and Transportation Committee member Leo Arons said he was the one committee member who voted for these meters. "I believe they're worth trying again since Carl [Borough Engineer Carl Peters] has analyzed the situation. The ten-hour meters are doing the purpose they were designed for, employee parking."

Mayor Marvin Reed said he was willing to accept the meters, at least for now. "If within a year they are not being used we can change them back," he said.

Anti-Sunday Hours

Councilwoman Wendy Benchley was strongly opposed to the imposition of Sunday hours. "Tourists and most people come to town to go to church," she said. "There are so many churches in the area, and with programs running all day long, people would have to run out to feed meters. Give Borough residents and guests who come to town on Sunday a break," she implored.

"A dime to a meter on Sunday is a dime less that the taxpayers pay," countered Councilman Roger Martindell.

Mr. Peters pointed out that there was free parking all day Sunday within two or three blocks of the churches. He also noted that the Park and

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RAFFLE DRAWING: Layla Stires, a group therapist at the Association for Advancement of Mental Health (AAMH), 819 Alexander Road, holds tickets for the organization's annual Harley-Davidson raffle, prior to the drawing. [The winner was Bob Wittman, New Wales, Pa.] Pictured are, from left, group therapist Deborah Karl; Andrea Bonaparte, rehabilitation services supervisor; Ms. Stires; Michele Engoran, partial care coordinator; and vocational counselor Chris Malalis.

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Shop lot would continue to be free on Sunday.

Although he said he was not convinced by the argument, Mayor Reed said he felt obliged to pass on concerns of both the Nassau Presbyterian Church and the Nassau Christian Center about Sunday meter hours. Both pointed out to him that their programming on Sunday goes beyond the morning service.

The Traffic and Transportation Committee unanimously rejected Sunday hours, said Mr. Arons. "It is not easy to quantify the effect on the quality of life," he said. The loss to the Princeton quality of life would be extreme. If you want to suggest a wet blanket, I can't think of a wetter one."

When Ms. Benchley suggested Sunday be made "Bicycle to Town Day," Mayor Reed retorted, "The only way you could get everybody to bike to town is to make meter rates so high."

With the clock moving past 11 p.m., Councilman David Goldfarb said that there would be opportunities to make revisions when the ordinance is introduced.

The ordinance to be introduced September 5 would also convert meters on the south side of Paul Robeson Place, now ten-hour meters, to two-hour meters that would charge 75 cents an hour.

The ten-hour meters closest to town would remain the same for the first two hours; but the next eight hours would rise from 25 to 50 cents. These are located on Paul Robeson Place, Chambers Street, Park Place, and the Park Place yard.

Ten-hour meters farther from the CBD would rise to 60 cents per hour for the first two hours and would then go up to 30 cents an hour. These are located at St. Paul's Church, Trinity Church, Charlton Street, William Street, a portion of Mercer Street, and University Place.

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Other treasures in the Princeton University Library's "A Century for the Millennium" exhibition, however, are in full view. Chosen from collections in the Harvey S. Firestone Memorial Library, items on display begin with a ceramic cylinder bearing an inscription of Nebuchadnezzar II (604-561 B.C.), King of Babylon, and progress through the next 3,000 years.

Among the items are luxuriously illuminated Byzantine and Medieval manuscripts, a Maya calligrapher's paint pot with dated text from the 8th century, a 12th century Arabic manuscript of the Greek physician Galen, the Gutenberg Bible, and the earliest books printed in North and South America.

Visitors will find celebrated copies of classic texts owned by famous scholars: an 18th-century Koran; an Aztec map on deerskin; letters from Benjamin Franklin, James Madison and George Washington at Valley Forge; and an archive of letters from the Queen of France plotting to establish claim to Florida.

An original copy of tile first printing of the Declaration of Independence shares the gallery with Woodrow Wilson's typescript of his Inaugural Address, the manuscript of an essay on slavery by Abraham Lincoln and the only surviving copy of the most important Gold Rush guide.

Beethoven's "Sketchbook," a Bach letter and the draft score of Wagner's *Das Rheingold* are musical highlights. Literary features include Lewis Carroll's photograph of the original Alice, a scrapbook of cutouts by Hans Christian Andersen, the manuscript of F. Scott Fitzgerald's *The Great Gatsby*, and the original drafts of Eugene O'Neill's plays in his memorably minuscule hand.

Much attention has been spent tracing each item's ownership and path to Princeton. One of the first Shakespeare folios shown is the earliest to come to America.

Items in the exhibition come from the library's holdings and from two private collections housed in Firestone: the Scheide Library, owned by William H. Scheide, Class of 1936, and the Cotsen Children's Collection' owned by Lloyd E. Cotsen, Class of 1950.

The two curators who made the selection, Paul Needham and Alfred Bush, called on fellow curators and Princeton faculty to suggest items that might qualify for a show of "Treasures." The Exhibition emphasizes the national and international importance of Princeton University's library collections.

The display is on view in the Firestone Library's main exhibition gallery through Sunday, November 5. Summer hours are 8:30 to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and noon to 5 p.m. on weekends. The library will be closed on Labor Day weekend.

Beginning September 5, hours will be 9 to 5 p.m. on weekdays and noon to 5 p.m. on weekends. The library also will be open until 8 p.m. on Wednesday evenings.

The Firestone Library is located on the Princeton campus at the corner of Nassau Street and Washington Road.

Deadline for Borough Taxes Now Expected to Be Sept. 15

Borough property owners will get yet another reprieve.

Council had already shifted the due date for payment of third-quarter property tax from August 1 to September 1 because of delays in Mercer County adopting its budget.

Now the State of New Jersey is late in providing certain tax aid information needed for the preparation of tax bills. In response, Council was expected to approve a resolution at its August 8 meeting giving Borough residents until September 15 to pay their third-quarter taxes without incurring a penalty.

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$10K Grant to Library Will Expand Its Young Adult Services

Most libraries in New Jersey offer few services for the young adult reader who is no longer a child, who is considered a "young adult," but hasn't quite reached the status of full-fledged grown-up. The Princeton Public Library is one of just a handful in the state to include a teen specialist — Bonnie Kunzel — on its staff.

About two weeks ago, the library received a competitive $10,000 grant from the New Jersey State Library to expand its resources for preteens and teens. Grant funds will enable Ms. Kunzel, a nationally-recognized teen expert, to purchase materials that include books on tape, illustrated — or "graphic" — popular novels, award-winning books, and the latest in young adult reference materials, according to Library Director Leslie Burger.

"The Princeton Public Library is focusing its attention on the needs of the community's teenagers," Ms. Burger said. "In the last two years we hired our first-ever teen specialist ...., created an area in the library to house materials of interest to teens, and have greatly expanded program offerings to attract more teens to the library."

YOUNG ADULT SPECIALIST: Bonnie Kunzel, the Princeton Public Library's specialist in teen services, stands by one of the shelves in the second-floor hallway that houses the young adult collection.

From New Brunswick

Ms. Kunzel arrived in Princeton about 18 months ago from the New Brunswick Public Library, where she was a teen specialist — and also worked in the adult reference department part-time. In New Brunswick, she took age-appropriate books from the library into the public schools on a regular basis; as a full-time teen specialist in Princeton, she immediately sought to establish a similar program here.

She found teachers eager to cooperate with her, but pressed for adequate time. "As kids get older, recreational reading becomes a lower priority," Ms. Kunzel explains. At the high school, for example, one teacher expressed an interest in developing a list of relevant historical fiction with Ms. Kunzel. "There was no time for me to come in and 'book talk' the list," Ms. Kunzel says.

Ms. Kunzel's book talks are like mini-commercials for quality books that have appeared on the American Library Association's "Best Books" list, were selected by professionals, or — in some cases — by teenagers themselves.

The high school does supply a list of required reading materials for each grade level, to Ms. Kunzel, as well as recommended summer reading, and required summer reading for juniors and seniors.

Ms. Kunzel has established an ongoing relationship with the John Witherspoon Middle School — sponsored by seventh-grade English teacher Bob Nelson — and with the Charter School, in which she provides books for recreational reading to students on a regular basis.

Some of the grant funds will be used to expand the "depository" collections for the two schools. The collections are based on lists created by the Garden State Team Book Award Committee, a statewide group, founded by Ms. Kunzel in 1995, within the young adult section of the NJ Library Association.

The committee selects fiction for kids in grades 6 to 8 and for high school students; and nonfiction for youngsters in grades 6 to 12. At the end of the year, teenagers have an opportunity to vote on the Garden State Team books they liked best.

Blurred Lines

The lines between "young adult" and "adult" tend to become somewhat blurred, Ms. Kunzel concedes, especially in the later teenage years. She emphasizes, however, that the importance of youth advocates who are familiar with the kind of books that appeal to young

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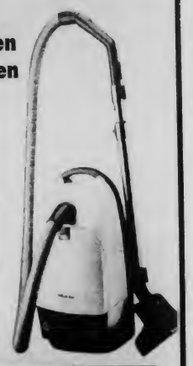

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people, cannot be overestimated.

She took every course in young adult services that she could fit into her schedule, as she pursued her M.L.S. degree at Rutgers University. "We don't want teens to stop reading," she explains. "They have different tolerances than either children or adults and require different services."

Her years of experience — in New Brunswick, and before that, in Franklin Township — did not fully prepare her, however, to conduct the young adult program in a hallway.

Because books fill every available space in the Princeton Public Library, the only area in which to expand the young adult offerings is into an upstairs hallway that already houses the nascent collection.

Additional shelving has been installed along the wall between the entrance to the second-floor administrative offices and the bathrooms; and it is here that new acquisitions will be displayed.

"If [teens] can find the materials they are interested in reading, they will continue to visit the library and become aware of other programs and services we have to offer," Ms. Kunzel says. One program, for example, is the young adult book discussion on alternate Wednesday evenings.

"One of the most important reasons for expanding the collections is to instill the habit of life-long reading," according to Ms. Burger. "These young readers may be voting on library budgets one day," she also pointed out. "We hope they will be supporters."

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Thefts Dominate Borough, Township Weekly Crime Lists

Two Princeton Township juveniles, 16 and 17 years old, were arrested for criminal attempted burglary after attempting to break into Princeton High School. They had cut a cable which secured a window in an attempt to get into the school. Both were released to their parents.

A New Brunswick man was arrested on Rosedale Road for DWI after going through a red light and making an improper right turn. Sirajor Jalloh, 31, was charged with DWI, improper left turn, and a red light violation. He was released to his uncle, and is scheduled to appear in court on August 14 at 9:30 a.m.

Someone forced open a vending machine at Princeton University's Guyot Hall, and removed a cash box with an unknown amount of cash on August 6 between 10 p.m. and 11:05 p.m. The machine is property of REM Vending, Inc.

A second incident of vending machine theft was reported to police on August 7. Someone broke into a vending machine at the university's architectural building and stole the cash and coins from within. The machine, owned by REM Vending, Inc., was damaged by the culprits during the theft.

A bicycle was stolen from in front of West Coast Video, 259 Nassau Street, on August 5 between 8:25 and 8:30 p.m. The victim observed the suspect riding away on the bike, and described him as a dark skinned male, in his 20's, with black hair.

Deposit Disappearance

A Hamilton Township resident reported to police that she deposited $520 cash into an ATM machine at a Nassau Street bank. Her deposit was never credited to her account. The bank housing the ATM machine reported that they never received the victim's deposit. Police are investigating whether the money was stolen.

Cash and travelers checks were stolen from a California man on August 2 after he left his wallet on the front counter of a Nassau Street retail store. When he returned to the store to retrieve the wallet he found $81 in cash and travelers checks missing from the wallet.

A theft of services was reported to police on August 7. Someone dumped various garbage items into a Pennington construction company's dumpster without permission. The incident occurred between 4 p.m. on August 4, and 7:30 a.m. August 5.

A Trenton man was arrested on outstanding warrant charges totalling $4913 after being stopped on Nassau Street for driving with a suspended driver's license and registration. Gerald D. Bryson, 41, had two outstanding warrants from Trenton, and one each from Ewing and West Windsor. He was turned over to the Trenton Police Department.

Police arrested another Trenton man on an outstanding warrant charge. Kamal S. Abduhl-Warith, 22, was arrested on an active New Brunswick City warrant after he was observed on Nassau Street by Patrol Officer Michael Bender, who knew the man as a possible wanted person. Abduhl-Warith was charged with contempt of court, and was released to the New Brunswick police.

Township Crime

Township police arrested a Virginia man for DWI after they stopped him for speeding on Route 206 south at 12:13 a.m. August 6. Gene Wang, 31, was charged with DWI and speeding, released on his own recognizance, and was to appear in court August 8.

Police received a report of a theft from a Greenbriar Row woman on August 3. She said that around 9 p.m. on August 2, she was unloading groceries and left her purse in the bed of her 1987 Chevrolet pickup truck. About three hours later she realized what she had done, and returned to the truck to find that the purse, containing $50 cash, was gone.

A cellular phone belonging to an employee at the American Boychoir School on Lambert Drive was stolen between 12 and 12:30 p.m. July 28. The value of the phone is $100.

A bicycle was stolen from in front of a Butler Avenue residence between 6 p.m. July 25, and 10 a.m. July 26. The bike was locked with a U-shaped bike lock.

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Thefts Dominate Borough, Township Weekly Crime Lists

Two Princeton Township juveniles, 16 and 17 years old, were arrested for criminal attempted burglary after attempting to break into Princeton High School. They had cut a cable which secured a window in an attempt to get into the school. Both were released to their parents.

A New Brunswick man was arrested on Rosedale Road for DWI after going through a red light and making an improper right turn. Sirajor Jalloh, 31, was charged with DWI, improper left turn, and a red light violation. He was released to his uncle, and is scheduled to appear in court on August 14 at 9:30 a.m.

Someone forced open a vending machine at Princeton University's Guyot Hall, and removed a cash box with an unknown amount of cash on August 6 between 10 p.m. and 11:05 p.m. The machine is property of REM Vending, Inc.

A second incident of vending machine theft was reported to police on August 7. Someone broke into a vending machine at the university's architectural building and stole the cash and coins from within. The machine, owned by REM Vending, Inc., was damaged by the culprits during the theft.

A bicycle was stolen from in front of West Coast Video, 259 Nassau Street, on August 5 between 8:25 and 8:30 p.m. The victim observed the suspect riding away on the bike, and described him as a dark skinned male, in his 20's, with black hair.

Deposit Disappearance

A Hamilton Township resident reported to police that she deposited $520 cash into an ATM machine at a Nassau Street bank. Her deposit was never credited to her account. The bank housing the ATM machine reported that they never received the victim's deposit. Police are investigating whether the money was stolen.

Cash and travelers checks were stolen from a California man on August 2 after he left his wallet on the front counter of a Nassau Street retail store. When he returned to the store to retrieve the wallet he found $81 in cash and travelers checks missing from the wallet.

A theft of services was reported to police on August 7. Someone dumped various garbage items into a Pennington construction company's dumpster without permission. The incident occurred between 4 p.m. on August 4, and 7:30 a.m. August 5.

A Trenton man was arrested on outstanding warrant charges totalling $4913 after being stopped on Nassau Street for driving with a suspended driver's license and registration. Gerald D. Bryson, 41, had two outstanding warrants from Trenton, and one each from Ewing and West Windsor. He was turned over to the Trenton Police Department.

Police arrested another Trenton man on an outstanding warrant charge. Kamal S. Abduhl-Warith, 22, was arrested on an active New Brunswick City warrant after he was observed on Nassau Street by Patrol Officer Michael Bender, who knew the man as a possible wanted person. Abduhl-Warith was charged with contempt of court, and was released to the New Brunswick police.

Township Crime

Township police arrested a Virginia man for DWI after they stopped him for speeding on Route 206 south at 12:13 a.m. August 6. Gene Wang, 31, was charged with DWI and speeding, released on his own recognizance, and was to appear in court August 8.

Police received a report of a theft from a Greenbriar Row woman on August 3. She said that around 9 p.m. on August 2, she was unloading groceries and left her purse in the bed of her 1987 Chevrolet pickup truck. About three hours later she realized what she had done, and returned to the truck to find that the purse, containing $50 cash, was gone.

A cellular phone belonging to an employee at the American Boychoir School on Lambert Drive was stolen between 12 and 12:30 p.m. July 28. The value of the phone is $100.

A bicycle was stolen from in front of a Butler Avenue residence between 6 p.m. July 25, and 10 a.m. July 26. The bike was locked with a U-shaped bike lock.

Asthma Research Project Is Seeking Volunteers

The Asthma & Allergy Clinical Research Center is seeking volunteers to participate in a clinical trial comparing Federal Drug Administration-approved asthma medications. Participants must be 12 years of age or older and suffer from asthma.

Those who are accepted to participate in the clinical trial will receive medical evaluation, treatment and medication for their asthma and will be compensated for their time. The Center is located in Saint Peter's University Hospital's Center for Ambulatory Resources Building, 4th Floor, 240 Easton Avenue, New Brunswick.

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Summer Youth Program a First for Princeton

Cynthia Mendez, director of the Princeton Human Services Department, said when she was hired last September that she looked forward to initiating new programs in a new department. The seven-week summer Youth Employment Program, which started July 10, is one of those programs.

Funded jointly by the Township and the Borough, the program provides employment and academic opportunities for 15 Princeton teenagers between the ages of 14 and 20, whose families qualify economically. Their income cannot be more than 300 percent of Federal poverty guidelines. The program is the first of its kind ever undertaken in Princeton.

For a total budget of $57,000, Ms. Mendez manages to provide stipends for the students; pay a Youth Employment Program director, Steven Wilson; engage a language arts teacher, Caroline Mitchell; and pay Mercer County's educational technology training center (ETTC), for computer training. [Final figures had not been determined at press time.]

Human Services

Created in 1998, through a merger of the joint commissions on aging and civil rights, the local assistance boards, and youth services, the Human Services Department is responsible for managing the Crosstown transportation program for senior citizens; for civil rights complaints; and for welfare services for both municipalities. Together with the Township and Borough, it is also planning for the redevelopment of the Suzanne Patterson Center.

Youngsters enrolled in the Youth Employment Program — which Ms. Mendez hopes

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CAMERAMAN: Tommie Siepmann, front, prepares the digital camera to take photos of, from left, Teri Andrews, Amber Joseph, Blake Mitchell, and Yanires Martinez. The youngsters are all participants in the summer Youth Employment Program, sponsored by the Human Services Department.

Topics of the Town

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to expand next summer — spend their afternoons, from 1 to 4, working in a number of non-profit organizations in Princeton. Sites include the YMCA, the YWCA, the Bonner Foundation, Hands on Helpers, the Senior Resource Center, and half a dozen other locations.

In the morning, they either study computer technology at ETTC, which is housed in the regional schools' Valley Road administration building, or language arts. Sometimes, the two subjects converge as when the teenagers input essays they have written for Ms. Mitchell, using Microsoft Word. Along with teaching computer job skills, instructors also provide pointers on resume-writing and other job-search strategies.

Learning New Skills

"I sort of know how to act and how to dress up for a job interview now," Blake Mitchell, 14, explained, "and if you forget, the staff refreshes your memory." Blake's summer job is washing cars for the Borough.

On a recent Friday, the students at ETTC were learning to use a hand-held, digital camera, and to scan pictures into the computer. "We want to provide them with the abilities needed for success in the workplace," Mr. Wilson explained.

Most participants are still in high school, he added, and are not yet looking for full-time, permanent jobs, but two of them are over 18, and are hoping that the part-time summer jobs may turn into something more.

Dana George, director of ETTC, said the center's involvement in the youth employment program is just one of its community outreach activities. It has also held programs for senior citizens, and for students at the Princeton Adult School she said; and will hold a four-part series of courses for the Adult School in the fall.

—Anne Rivera

Council Is Being Asked To Okay More Lighting

Council will be asked at its meeting scheduled for Tuesday night, August 8, to approve additional lighting on Palmer Square East and Tiger Park. Municipal approval is required because the lighting is in the public right-of-way.

Palmer Square Inc. wants to install six new post lamps along Palmer Square East; three new wall fixtures along the rear facade of One Palmer Square, facing Palmer Square East; and four new post lamps, six accent lights around the Tiger statue, and four new tree uplights at Tiger Park.

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Borough Expected to Sell House at 88 N. Harrison

Council is expected to set into motion plans to sell a Borough-owned house at 88 North Harrison Street at its meeting scheduled for Tuesday night, August 8.

A vote is anticipated on a resolution authorizing the auction of the property, with a base bid of $250,000. This amount is in keeping with the values researched by Borough Assessor Carol Caskey. The house is in the R-3 zone, which allows only single-family residential usage.

On May 2, Council voted to sell the house it had bought four years ago in the hope of using the site for a five-unit extension of Spruce Circle, the adjacent public housing complex for seniors. Purchase price was $200,000.

The house was bought by the Borough at the request of the Princeton Housing Authority, which thought it might qualify for federal HUD (Housing and Urban Development) funds to construct the five additional Spruce Circle units.

But Housing Authority Executive director Mary Jo Grauso told Council at the May 2 meeting that the HUD money would not be forthcoming. The amount needed to develop the five additional housing units would be approximately $750,000.

GOVERNOR'S SCHOLARS: Stuart County Day School students selected to participate in the Governor's School, a four-week intensive honors session in various disciplines run during the summer by the Governor's Office and the NJ Department of Education, were, from left, Kate Michael, Annie Grabowski, Anna Pelczer, and Holly Zindulis. All the young women are Princeton residents, except Ms. Zindulis, who lives in Hamilton Square.

Hospital Reports Births To 20 Area Residents

The Medical Center at Princeton has reported births to 20 area residents for the week ending August 3.

Daughters were born on July 28, to Wei Min and Bing-ing Chai, Princeton Junction; and to John and Claudin Lanahan, Belle Mead.

Daughters were also born to Ashraf Sakr and Neveen Gharbia-Abou, Princeton Junction, July 29; Manzoor and Nuzhat Shah, West Windsor, July 30; Steven and Virginia Manzari, West Windsor, July 31; and to Christopher and Jeanne Fanelli, Princeton, July 31.

Daughters were born as well to Ira and Debra Baseman, Princeton, August 1; David and Robin Perelli, Pennington, August 1; Benjamin and Kimberly Specht, Plainsboro, August 1; Kenneth and Jennifer Pryor, Pennington, August 1; and to Stephen and Mary Parker, Belle Mead, August 3.

Sons were born to Robert and Barbara Rebak, Princeton, July 29; Jeffrey Matey and Nasrin Yasmin, Skillman, August 1; Mark and Paige Helm, West Windsor, August 1; Thomas and Judith Ann Hare, Princeton, August 2; and to Bruce and Annette Sobel, Pennington, August 2.

Sons were also born to Yao Ming and Yubi Chen, Plainsboro, August 2; Paul Willen and Emily Dolbear, Princeton, August 2; Andrew and Stephanie Peloso, Princeton, August 3; and to Steven and Patricia Rechel, Lawrenceville, August 3.

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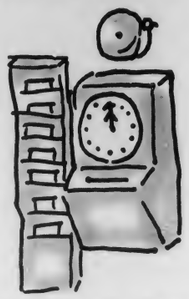

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6 large peaches
3 egg yolks
⅓ c. sour cream
1 c. sugar
¼ tsp. salt
¼ c. flour

Slice peaches into uniform sizes and arrange in baked crust. Beat yolks then add sour cream, sugar, salt and flour. Beat well. Pour over peaches. Bake 40-50 minutes at 375 degrees. Cool 30 minutes before cutting. Can be served with vanilla ice cream.

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Three Area Women Join the Board Of HiTops Center

HiTops, the teen health center that provides clinical and educational services, has appointed three area women — Cherie Campbell, Elizabeth Casparian, and Elyse Pivnick — to its board of directors.

Cherie Campbell, R.N., is a national certified counselor specializing in individual, couple, family and group counseling to adolescents and adults. A Hopewell resident, she also serves as the Hopewell Valley Municipal Alliance coordinator, where she implements youth development programming, health promotion, substance abuse prevention, and education activities.

Before she became a counselor, Ms. Campbell was a nurse with Familyborn. She is a graduate of the University of California at San Francisco and the College of New Jersey.

Ms. Casparian, a Princeton resident, holds a doctorate in educational leadership in human sexuality from the University of Pennsylvania, and is a sexuality educator and consultant. She is the co-author of *Our Whole Lives: Sexuality Education for Grades 4-5*; and *Our Whole Lives: Sexuality Education for Grades 10-12*.

Dr. Casparian is the Website administrator for the "Ask the Experts" portion of the SexEtc online newsletter at www.sxetc.com, published by the Network for Family Life Education, which has responded to more than 10,000 questions from teenagers since it began in February 1999.

Ms. Pivnick, of Princeton, is a program director at Isles, the community development and environmental organization in Trenton. For seven years, she was the organization's development director. In 1999, she became director of Isles' Environmental Health Initiative.

Ms. Pivnick previously worked for the City of Philadelphia Office of Housing and Community Development. She is treasurer of the Sandra Starr Foundation, and serves on the boards of Preservation New Jersey and the Central NJ Chapter of the American Jewish Committee. Her undergraduate degree is from the University of Michigan, and she has a master's degree in city and regional planning from the University of Pennsylvania.

HomeFront Drive Helps Kids Go Back to School

HomeFront, the Mercer County organization that works with homeless families in the Route 1 corridor, is conducting a Back-to-School drive to collect clothing, school supplies, and shoes for the children in homeless families, who barely have the funds for food — much less for school.

HomeFront is seeking volunteers to become part of the drive by sponsoring a child, donating clothing, school supplies, or sneakers — or making a contribution for their purchase.

Volunteer Nancy Podeszwa coordinates the HomeFront Back-to-School drive. For more information, or to make a contribution, call her at 882-8603.

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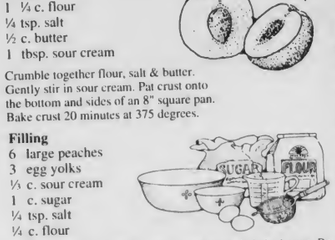

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SECOND STORY MAN: Fred Mitcher, a volunteer with Habitat for Humanity, pitches in during a recent volunteer effort as he helps reconstruct the second floor of Habitat's duplex house at 52 Leigh Avenue. (Photo by Charles Plohn)

Mercer County College To Offer Montessori Certification in Fall

In conjunction with the Montessori Teacher Training Institute of New Jersey, Mercer County Community College will offer a new opportunity to earn certification in the Montessori method of teaching.

Students can choose from two options — early childhood certification and/or infant/toddler certification. The program focuses on the study of the Montessori philosophy, child development, use of didactic materials, classroom management, observation and record keeping, peace education, and the complete Montessori curriculum.

Those encouraged to attend are Montessori teachers and other educators as well as those new to teaching who are considering a career in Montessori education. Parents and others who wish to further their understanding of child development and successful alternative teaching methods are also invited to attend.

Participants will earn continuing education units.

The first of four courses to be offered this fall begins on September 5, on the West Windsor campus at 1200 Old Trenton Road. Classes will meet from 5:30 to 8:30 on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and 8:30 to 4:30 on Saturdays.

The Early Childhood Program requires a 540 hour practicum. The Infant/Toddler Program requires 400 hours.

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Library to Throw "Faire" For Summer Reading Club

Members of the Princeton Public Library's summer reading club are invited to a "Medieval Faire" to take place at Community Park North, Route 206, on August 22, from 3:30 to 6:30. (The rain date is August 23.) On-site parking will be available.

Faire-goers will meet a rare breed of medieval time travelers — musicians, jugglers, wizards, and more. They will be able to watch a puppet show of life-sized marionettes, construct an origami crown, or indulge in face-painting fantasies.

Everything will be free. The Faire is a reward for great summer reading, from the Youth Services Department of the library.

To attend the Faire, club members are asked to call 924-9529, ext. 240, by August 17.

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University Study On Chromosome Ends May Be Cancer Clue

A Princeton scientist has discovered a mechanism that cells use to control the length of their chromosome ends, a process that is thought to go awry in cancer.

The finding, reported in the August 4 issue of Science by Professor of Molecular Biology Virginia Zakian and colleagues, may provide cancer researchers with clues for designing treatments.

Prof. Zakian found a naturally occurring protein that inhibits the activity of another protein, called telomerase, which replicates and lengthens the very ends of chromosomes. The protein, called Piflp, acts directly on the chromosome ends, called telomeres, to keep the lengthening process in check, her research group reported.

Researchers have been studying telomerase with great intensity for the past 15 years because it appears to play a central role in the way cells age or become cancerous. Studies have shown that telomerase is present in 90 percent of cancer types, but is absent from most healthy cells. Cancer researchers have thus looked for ways to interfere with telomerase. Prof. Zakian's research suggests that mimicking or enhancing the action of Piflp may be a good way to do so.

Telomerase builds structures called telomeres at the ends of chromosomes, like plastic caps at the ends of shoelaces. In normal conditions, telomeres shorten each time a cell divides, eventually exposing the genetic material and causing the cell to die. In cancer cells, however, telomerase keeps rebuilding the telomere caps, preventing the cell from undergoing its normal aging process.

In 1994, Prof. Zakian and collaborator Vincent Schulz reported that Piflp keeps telomeres from lengthening. It remained unclear, however, how Piflp accomplished that feat. There are many natural substances that could inhibit telomere lengthening in indirect ways, Prof. Zakian said. The new paper shows that Piflp acts on the telomerase pathway itself and interacts directly with telomeric DNA, a potentially attractive feature for drug developers.

The experiments were done in baker's yeast cells, but Prof. Zakian said that telomere regulation has been so important throughout evolution that human cells employ many of the same mechanisms.

"These are very lowly organisms. This is what we use to bake bread," she said. "However, as we show in this paper, humans have a protein very similar to yeast Piflp. It would be quite gratifying if it turned out that it also functions in a similar way in humans and could give us insights into human cancer."

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New Downtown

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impressed with the firm's presentation. He added that Desman Associates has been involved in a number of similar projects, including ones in New Rochelle, N.Y.; and Fort Lee and Red Bank. "We received strong recommendations from all three," he said, adding that the group is prepared to tackle all elements in the redevelopment proposal.

The project will begin with the firm investigating both the physical planning side and the financial implications of a garage, as well as the viability of incorporating commercial spaces. The study will conclude with a report of the financial impacts of the various development scenarios.

The goal will be to insure that the maximum parking capacity and development potential will be identified. This should answer the question of whether the leasing of commercial space surrounding a garage can generate enough money to pay for the cost and at least the partial operation of the parking structure.

Among the firm's tasks will be to identify voids in the available market supply for specific categories of retail and concession goods and services; develop retail/commercial layout scenarios that will lead to agreement on the optimum commercial/retail approach; and prepare revenue projects for the retail/commercial components of the project.

Desman will develop a minimum of three alternative design concepts, each showing such items as traffic flow, parking layout, entrance/exit lanes, ramping system configuration, connections with external roadways, expansion potentials, integration of commercial/retail space, and pedestrian elements such as stairs and elevators.

Must Fit the Site

After a preferred alternative is selected, architectural concepts and preliminary design elements will be incorporated to make certain the project can be constructed within the identified site constraints, developed footprints, and layouts.

The architectural concepts will define the building elevations and facades, and will include the development of a preliminary design theme. Materials and fenestration will be identified and illustrated on the building elevations and, if geotechnical information is available, a preliminary assessment of the foundation requirements will also be performed.

Computer imaging will be used to provide images of proposed projects on a photograph of a particular area. This technique was employed very successfully during Tony Nelessen's analysis of a new and reconfigured downtown presented to the public last December.

A questionnaire filled out by several hundred people at Mr. Nelessen's presentation showed that 72 percent want additional parking to be provided downtown, and that 90 percent want the approach to downtown planning to be more holistic, where every project fits within an understandable plan.

According to Mr. Nelessen, the value of Borough-owned land in the Central Business District is between $4 and $9 million. He said that a number of communities have developed downtown development plans, and that the Borough's ultimate goal should be to gain the greatest amount of value of the land.

At the end of 90 days — after the Borough and its consultants have completed the series of public meetings on the future of the downtown, and Desman Associates has issued its final report — Mayor and Council will decide whether the Borough should move forward with changes in the downtown.

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A VICTORY FOR WIND AND WATER: The weather Monday night wreaked havoc on the tents used for props, dressing rooms, and other purposes by the Princeton Rep Shakespeare Company during performances at Pettoranello Gardens. Hopes are high that the current production, "Taming of the Shrew," will nonetheless continue. *(Photo by Charles Plohn)*

Princeton Rep Won't Let Storm Stop Its Season

It wasn't exactly a scene from *The Tempest*, but a storm Monday night wreaked its own havoc. The four tents used by the Princeton Rep Shakespeare Festival for its performances of *Taming of the Shrew* at Pettoranello Gardens were destroyed by wind and rain.

The company is determined to move forward to replace at least some of the tents in time for this weekend's performances. But the real need, said Executive Producer Anne Reiss, is for a semi-permanent structure that won't fall victim to the weather. The tents had been used for props, dressing rooms, technical apparatus, and receptions.

She is hoping that community members who want to help toward the cost of some form of semi-permanent structure will contribute.

Persons wishing to help are asked to make a check out to Princeton Repertory Co. and send it to 44 Nassau Street, Suite 350, Princeton 08542.

The coming weekend is an important one for Princeton Rep, which is producing a full summer season for the first time. [In past years, it presented plays by Shakespeare on a very limited basis on the Green at the Nassau Inn.]

Ms. Reiss said she expects reviewers from U.S.A. Today and the New York Times to attend performances this Friday, and that the company is determined the show will go on.

The Festival has garnered good reviews, [TOWN TOPICS, page 20] and Ms. Reiss said the reaction has been excellent. She added, "We are pulling in fabulous numbers every weekend. Saturday night there were 700-plus. We're filling up the entire amphitheater and the side of the hill."

Stony Brook Watershed Awarded ERA Grant

The Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association will receive a $5,000 grant from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for "Creating River Friendly Schools" as part of the EPA's Environmental Education grant program.

The Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association will develop a pilot school-based watershed education program 1997. "Their efforts will help highlighting the impact of to teach children and adults non-point source pollution how their actions can impact and development on water the world in which they live." quality.

The Association will Environmental Education develop a River Friendly grant program has provided School Manual, conduct a financial assistance to non-workshop for school adminis- profits, educational institutrators and educators and tions and local and tribal govhelp students and teachers ernment agencies that assist evaluate a school's day-to-day in teaching communities activities impact on the local about complex environmental water supply. After imple- issues. menting the pilot program EPA received 23 applicathe Association will make the tions from New Jersey groups model available on its this year, choosing four website. www.beesinc.org. including the Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Associa-

"The Stony Brook-Millstone tion. Watershed Association is a wonderful organization, well-equipped to use this grant for environmental education," said Rep. Rush Holt, who served as Chair of the Board of Trustees for the Association during the years 1996-

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Persons providing care for an ill or disabled family member, who would like to join the group, are invited to call clinical social worker Wendy Cacacle, at 987-8100, to register.support, ar, 8-9

The Life Enhancement Institute, 10 Jefferson Plaza (Raymond Road, off Route 1) will sponsor a free public education seminar, **"Sleepless in Princeton"** on August 13, from 2 to 4. The program will include presentations, discussions, and video showings on the subjects of insomnia and depression. A question-and-answer period will follow. For more information, call 924-0912, (732) 355-1158, or fax (732) 355-1157.

The Mercer County **Legal Services Project for the Elderly** will hold an informative seminar for senior citizens on August 16, at 10, at Jewish Family and Children's Service of Greater Mercer County (JFCS), 707 Alexander Road. The guest speaker will be attorney Susan J. Knispel, project director, who will provide an overview of legal services — such as wills and power of attorney — for people over 60. For further information, or to register for this free program, call 987-8100.

Project Re-employment, a program for displaced professional, technical and managerial employees, will take place August 21, 23, and 24, at Jewish Family & Children's Service of Greater Mercer County, 707 Alexander Road. Topics to be covered will include self-assessment and skill development; targeting a job search; job search tools, resources and strategies; managing job loss stress; and resume and interview skills.

Pre-registration is required for the program, which is free. Call Linda, at 987-8100.

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Members of **The Princeton Singles**, a non-profit group for ages 55-plus, will meet at the Wine Press, 4484 Route 27, on August 12, at 10 a.m., to go hiking along the Raritan Canal. There is no cost, except the cost of lunch after the hike.

For more information, call 896-1170.

Mercer County Executive Robert Prunetti will speak at the **Chamber of Commerce of the Princeton Area** general membership meeting on Thursday, August 10, at the Doral Forrestal Hotel. The meeting will begin at 11:30, with a reception, followed by buffet luncheon and Mr. Prunetti's speech.

Mr. Prunetti will explain why he believes the upgrade of the Trenton-Mercer Airport terminal is important for all Mercer County residents, and will report on the results of the environmental assessment study now being conducted by the FAA.

The cost is $28 for Chamber members; $30 for other guests. To make a reservation, call 520-1776.

HiTops will hold a **PFLAG (Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays)** meeting on Monday, August 14, at Trinity Church, 33 Mercer Street, in the George Thomas Room. The meeting will begin at 6:45; and the program will be an open discussion.

For more information, call 683-5155.

Princeton Lodge #38 Free and Accepted Masons will hold its annual, all-you-can-eat chicken barbecue on Sunday, August 13, from 12 to 5. The cost for adults is $11; $5, for children under 12. There is no cost for children under 6 years.

Tickets will be available at the door, Central Jersey Masonic Center, River Road, Montgomery Township, rain or shine.

Single Faces, which calls itself "New Jersey's Premiere Singles Organization," will hold a dance party on Saturday, August 12, at 9, at the Doral Forrestal, 100 College Road East. The cost is $12.

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Ms. Canada, a 1996 graduate of Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, Pa., is in her third year of medical school at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. Hurford is a 1992 graduate of Princeton Day School, and a 1996 graduate of Swarthmore College. He is a third-year medical student at Temple University School of Medicine, Philadelphia, Pa.

The couple plans a June 2001 wedding.

Pactovis-Farmer Lisa Pactovis, daughter of Jetta and Bill Pactovis, Stoughton, Mass., to Sam Farmer, son of Maxine and Steve Farmer, Philip Drive.

Ms. Pactovis is a personal lines insurance agent and a nationally-certified dance instructor. For five years, she was a performer and staging coordinator in the entertainment department of Walt Disney World, Orlando, Fla.

Mr. Farmer is a graduate of The Hun School and of Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio. He also attended the University of Arizona, Tucson, Ariz., and achieved certification as a music teacher in the public school system.

He is now employed as a computer sales consultant at Cambridge Computer Services in Boston. He teaches piano and performs in cafes and restaurants in the Boston area.

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THEATER REVIEW

Princeton Rep Stages Colorful "Taming of the Shrew"; Boisterous Battles of the Sexes in a 1970's Setting

It's all about wooing, wedding and many facets of the unpredictable relationships between men and women, as the Princeton Repertory Company brings William Shakespeare's *The Taming of the Shrew* to life in the amphitheater of the scenic Pettoranello Gardens.

Shrew is an early (1593-94) work from Shakespeare's 20s, with more earthy humor and physical, slapstick comedy and less glorious poetry than many of his later plays. The two main plots are timeless and boundless in their appeal, and Princeton Rep Company's accessible, vigorous, fun-filled production demonstrates clearly why the play has reigned for over four centuries as one of the Bard's most popular.

A significant element of this play's popularity resides in its dazzling, hilarious — almost cartoonish — surfaces. This is knockabout farce at its airiest and most rambunctious. It is full of ludicrous disguises, sight gags, food fights, outrageous costumes, larger-than-life characterizations, comic shtick, and ongoing brawls between Kate (Missy Thomas) and Petruchio (Donald Kimmel) that would make the World Wrestling Federation proud. The world and the language of the play focus on material possessions in a society dominated by men, as fathers bargain for dowries and suitors engage in bidding wars over the right to possess the fair Bianca (Julie Lund) and her shrewish older sister Kate.

BITING HUMOR: Donald Kimmel as Petruchio and Missy Thomas as Kate pursue their combative courtship in rehearsal for the Princeton Rep Shakespeare Festival's production of William Shakespeare's "The Taming of the Shrew," playing through August 27 at the Pettoranello Gardens outdoor amphitheater on Mountain Avenue and Route 206.

Beneath the emphasis on non-stop action, food, clothing and money, however, lies the second source of this play's great appeal. The two protagonists here, in their battling and eventual hard-won reconciliation, emerge as interesting three-dimensional characters in a relationship bursting with dynamic sexual and romantic chemistry.

The complex relationship between Kate and Petruchio is certainly open to more than one interpretation, and PRC's updating the play from the 16th century to the 1970s here certainly highlights the question of sexism. This production does not seem to be arguing for a politically correct or a feminist Shakespeare, but rather for a *Taming of the Shrew* with two main characters who are fully human, a true couple — intimate equals with strong wills, independence and interdependence. Shakespeare possessed an uncommon understanding of and affinity for, strong, intelligent female characters; and Kate may be his only female protagonist in comedy, tragedy, or romance who finds a husband who is her match in strength, pride, and capacity for love. Even when Petruchio employs his extravagant measures to "curb her mad and headstrong humor... to kill a wife with kindness," he is, in this finely nuanced production, headstrong and firm, but always loving rather than cruel.

The Taming Goes Both Ways

In PRC's *Shrew*, the "taming" goes both ways. Petruchio is more playful, loving, likeable and less piggish and sadistic than the play's title might suggest; and Kate's climactic final speech of advice to women on their wifely duties is, appropriately and provocatively, full of irony and strong-willed independence, rather than subservience or blind conjugal obedience. This Petruchio and Kate are a loving, lusty couple, who will continue the amorous battles, with their independence and the deep sources of their affections never fully comprehended by the less spirited married couples in their social sphere.

As Petruchio explains the chemistry between them: "I am as peremptory as the proud-minded; and where two raging fires meet together, they do consume the thing that feeds their fury...So I to her, and so she yields to me... Be patient, gentlemen, I choose her for myself — If she and I be pleased, what's that to you?"

Director Victoria Liberatori and her talented, seasoned, thoroughly professional company and crew make the most of both the farcical surfaces and the romantic depths of this play. Despite dodging raindrops and losing valuable rehearsal time because of the weather, the entire ensemble is carefully polished in communicating, in speech and in action, the meaning of the lines. This production is highly theatrical, with the action filling the Pettoranello amphitheater and the actors playing to the audience with a refreshingly clear openness and directness. The characterizations are broad and comical, without going overboard.

Competitive Suitors Gather

The plot revolves around the two sisters, Katherine and Bianca, daughters of the wealthy Baptista (Timothy Boisvert) of Padua, who refuses to allow the much-sought-after Bianca to be married until her tempestuous older sister is wed. The competitive suitors gather: Gremio (Richard Bourg), the rich, lustful old neighbor; Hortensio (Erik Sherr), an eager young swain, who works his way into Bianca's company by posing as a music teacher; and the handsome, amorous adventurer Lucentio (Adin Alai) from Pisa, who disguises himself as Bianca's Latin teacher.

Of course they are all delighted when Petruchio "come(s) to wive It wealthily in Padua; if wealthily, then happily in Padua," sets his mind and heart on Katherine, and proceeds

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AMOROUS BIDDING WARS: Rival suitors Donald Kimmel, right, (Petruchio) and Erik Sherr (Hortentio) battle it out in Princeton Rep's "Taming of the Shrew."
(Photo by Charles Phox)

The Taming of the Shrew

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to "woo her with some spirit" and to marry her with extraordinary dispatch. The way is then clear for the three rivals to pursue Bianca, but their comical deceptions tangle the plot considerably before Lucentio finally triumphs.

Ms. Thomas and Mr. Kimmel are superb in the leading roles, on target through all the vicissitudes of their stormy relationship and thoroughly convincing in their mutual attraction and depth of feeling at the end. Ms. Lund as Bianca, a character with less depth than the protagonists, polishes the surfaces to a shimmering intensity as she taunts her sister, toys with her drooling suitors and plays to perfection the spoiled, lusty princess.

Throughout their desperate machinations and attempts at love-making, the three suitors — Mr. Bourg, Mr. Sherr, and Mr. Alai, are consistently excellent, as are the three long-suffering, much maligned, highly energetic servants of Petruchio (Joe Narcisco as Grumio) and of Lucentio (James Rana as Tranio and Karen Traynor as Biondella). Mr. Boisvert as a dignified Baptista and Josh Blumenfeld and Emmanuel Todorov, each in a variety of minor roles, lend solid, effective support.

Funky, Upbeat Melodies

The 1970's setting seems hardly necessary in this timeless tale, but it does provide opportunities for many amusing touches, like Petruchio's grand entrance on a motor scooter and the colorful costuming by Marianne Powell-Parker, with some outfits looking as if they've come right out of *Hair*, some resembling *Saturday Night Fever* disco attire, and some obviously from the circus clowns' wardrobe. And, in the spirit of the hippie era, Galt MacDermot, composer of *Hair* (1967), has written the original music for this production, mostly funky upbeat background melodies (occasionally reminiscent of "Aquarius" or "Let the Sun Shine In"), that contribute significantly in creating the mood for the evening.

Ms. Liberatori has wisely excised the less-than-vital opening two scenes of the play and moves the action along at an appropriately rapid pace. A simple unit set, handsomely designed by Steve Stone, Jake Thomas, and Holly Thomas, depicts the facade of an Italian city house with shuttered second-story windows and large urns on either side of the doorway. With two tables and chairs moving on and off downstage, this backdrop efficiently serves for a wide variety of settings, indoors and outdoors, in Padua and in Petruchio's country house.

This production inserts a couple of choreographed segments — one for Kate the first time we meet her, and one for Bianca and her two primary suitors that provide an opportunity to feature Mr. MacDermot's appealing music, but provide little in the way of substantive development of plot, characters or their relationships. The only other slow spot in an otherwise delightful evening occurs after intermission, as the slapstick surrounding Petruchio's taunting of his servants and taming of Kate continues too long and begins to grow tedious.

As the Princeton Rep Company makes clear in this winning production, whether it's Cole Porter's 1940's Baltimore setting for *Kiss Me Kate*, 16th century Italy, or the hippie era, the story of Kate and Petruchio, Bianca and her suitors resonates richly, with plenty of laughs and intriguing perspectives on men and women and what makes a marriage work.

Area Shakespeare fans can look forward to more pleasures and surprises in store for next summer, as the PRC continues to grow and impress. In the meantime, get to Pettoranello Gardens early over the next three weekends to beat the crowds to a parking space and a good seat for this action-packed *Taming of the Shrew*.

—Donald Gilpin

Princeton Rep Shakespeare Festival's "The Taming of the Shrew" will run through August 27 with performances on Friday, Saturday, and Sundays at 7 p.m. at Pettoranello Gardens, Community Park North on Mountain Avenue and Route 206.

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MUSICAL COMEDY REVIEW

Yardley Players Production of "The Sound of Music" Enjoyed by Both Performers & Audience at Open Air

The musicals presented so far this summer at Washington Crossing State Park's Open Air Theatre represent the more modern era of musical theater: a 1950's setting rock-and-roll show, a production closer to an opera than a musical, and a theatrical rendition of a successful musical film. The Yardley Players have brought the first of the "old standards" to the Open Air Theatre — a tune-filled blockbuster of the old school of musicals guaranteed to pack them in. Rodgers and Hammerstein's *The Sound of Music* is a winner in any venue, and the Yardley Players production was clearly enjoyed by both performers and audience.

YOUNG LOVERS: George Reilly plays Rolf and Sarah Budd is Liesl in the Yardley Players production of "The Sound of Music" at the Open Air Theatre.

The Sound of Music is as well-known a story as any, but the movie version has become so popular that the original stage play seems almost "wrong" at times; one wonders why some songs are not in their familiar spots. Like the Newton Arts Company before them, The Yardley Players incorporated a song from the film version to replace a lesser quality song in the stage score.

As most theater-goers know, *The Sound of Music* tells the story of the Trapp Family: governess Maria is sent to care for widower Captain and his seven children, teaches them the truly important things in life, and they all become one family accompanied by a memorable Rodgers and Hammerstein score. The songs are not difficult to sing and easy to listen to, the love subplots are pure old-fashioned corn, and it is hard to argue with seven enthusiastic child actors dressed in appealing curtains.

Opening Night Rained Out

With Thursday's opening night rained out, Friday began the official run of the show. Despite some miking problems (the mikes sounded a bit waterlogged from all the rain) Yardley Players demonstrated a strong cast, led by Cathy Liebers as Maria and Hugh Barton as Captain von Trapp. Ms. Liebers has a free and easy voice and was credible as the free-spirited Maria. Ms. Liebers handled well the most technically difficult song of the show, "The Lonely Goatherd."

Mr. Barton was clearly a well-trained singer, and the one song inserted from the mo-

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CLOTHED IN CURTAINS: The seven Trapp family children and their governess in the Yardley Players production of "The Sound of Music" are, top row left, Matthew Steele as Kurt; Diana Lundberg as Louisa; Sarah Budd as Liesl; Cathy Liebars as Maria; Michael Steele as Friedrich. Bottom row, left are Kelly Nigh as Marta; Savannah King as Gretl and Elizabeth Lundberg as Brigitta.

Music Review

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vie, the duet, "Something Good," between the Captain and Maria, was musically the best-performed number of the show.

Despite the central love story, *The Sound of Music* is really about the children, and has been a great vehicle over the decades to introduce children to the theater. Sarah Budd (Liesl), Michael Steele (Friedrich), Diana Lundberg (Luisa), Matthew Steele (Kurt), Elizabeth Lundberg (Brigitta), Kelly Nigh (Marta) and Savannah King (Gretl) could all sing, and their enthusiasm never flagged. Ms. Liebers demonstrated her vocal talent well in her love story subplot with the young Nazi officer Rolf, played by George Reilly.

Yardley Players also compiled a nun's choir, which, as with the children's chorus, sounded a little rough when singing offstage, but was better when in sight of the conductor. The nun's ensemble included some notable voices, especially Tara Wood as Sister Sophia and Mary Comber as Sister Margaretta.

Music Director Nicholas Cheng assembled an orchestra of brass, winds, and a few strings to support the singers, and Mr. Cheng managed for the most part to keep the show moving. Clever and attractive sets were designed by Ken McCormick.

The Sound of Music is a bit long. Intermission could probably be shortened to bring the show more in line with children's bedtimes. However, this is a show for all ages, and will no doubt continue to bring in the crowds at the Open Air Theatre through the remainder of its run.

The Sound of Music will continue August 9, 10, 11 and 12 at Washington Crossing State Park's Open Air Theatre. Ticket information can be obtained from the Open Air Theatre box office at 737-1826. Children under 12 are half-price.

—Nancy Plum

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The whole family is invited to celebrate Lewis Carroll's Unbirthday with songs and scenes from the musical settings of *Alice in Wonderland*, performed by Dick Swain and the Poquelin Players, at the Princeton Public Library, 65 Witherspoon Street, on Wednesday, August 9, at 7:30. There is no cost; reservations are not necessary; and refreshments will be ready 15 minutes before the beginning of the program.

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COMMUNITY GRANT: Kathleen Kramer, right, recently presented a $500 Community Grant award to Girl Scout Troop #680. The grant funds will be used to help fulfill the wishes of terminally ill children, who are part of the Institute for Children with Cancer and Blood Disorders, a non-profit organization association with UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School. Back row, from left, Coleen Chunko, Victoria Tyson, Rose Marie Dzugan, Shaili Desai, and Purnima Malik; front row, Danielle Sleeper, Danielle Quinn, Melina Caffrey, Isha Vora, and Laura Kapp.

CALENDAR

Wednesday, August 9

9 a.m.: Princeton Sewer Operating Committee, Borough Hall.

7-7:30 p.m.: Meet the Mayors, TV Channel 30A: Township Mayor Phyllis Marchand with guests Gary DeBlasio, new executive director of Corner House, and Mitchell Douglas, former executive director, speaking about the past, present, and future of Corner House. Rerun.

7:30 p.m.: *Alice Sings! Songs from Wonderland*, performed by Dick Swain and the Poquelin Players, Princeton Public Library, 65 Witherspoon Street.

8 p.m.: *The Sound of Music*; Open Air Theatre, Washington Crossing State Park. Also Thursday, Friday, Saturday at 8.

8-10:30 p.m.: Princeton Country Dancers, Suzanne Patterson Center, Monument Drive (behind Borough Hall).

Friday, August 11

7 p.m.: Princeton Rep Shakespeare Festival, *Taming of the Shrew*; Pettoranello Gardens, Community Park North. Also Saturday and Sunday at 7.

8 p.m.: *Will You Still Love Me in the Morning?*; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 8 and Sunday at 2:30.

Sunday, August 13

1 p.m.: University Summer Carillon Series, Jeff Davis, University of the South; Graduate College.

Monday, August 14 Recycling Pickup

4 p.m.: Township Historic Preservation Commission, Meeting Room B, Valley Road Building.

7 p.m.: Township Committee, Valley Road Building.

Tuesday, August 15

7:30 p.m.: Regional Health Commission, Borough Hall Conference Room.

8 p.m.: Princeton Regional School Board, Valley Road Building.

Wednesday, August 16

7-7:30 p.m.: Meet the Mayors, TV Channel 30A: Borough Mayor Marvin Reed with guests, Police Lieutenant John Reading, and Patrolman Ralph Terracciano, discussing the Borough's Police Detective Bureau. Live. Call-in, 252-2379.

7:30 p.m.: Public meeting on nomination of King's Highway for National Register of Historic Places, Valley Road Building.

8-10:30 p.m.: Princeton Country Dancers, Suzanne Patterson Center, Monument Drive (behind Borough Hall).

Thursday, August 17

10 a.m.: *Cinderella*; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Friday at 10 and Saturday at 10:30.

8 p.m.: *Carnival*; Open Air Theatre, Washington Crossing State Park. Also Friday and Saturday at 8.

Friday, August 18

7 p.m.: Princeton Rep Shakespeare Festival, *The Taming of the Shrew*; Pettoranello Gardens, Community Park North. Also Saturday and Sunday at 7.

8 p.m.: *Will You Still Love Me in the Morning?*; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 8 and Sunday at 2:30.

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A FINAL SWING: Brian Landry, age 11, is spun around by Alex Vernon (left) and Shadiyah Glover during the last day of the Princeton Recreation Department summer camp on Friday. *(Photo by Charles Plohn)*

PEOPLE

Skillman resident **Thomas A. Bracken** has been named co-chairman of Catholic Charities' annual gala, the Guardian Angel Dinner Dance, which will take place on September 15, at the Princeton Hyatt Regency Hotel. Proceeds will benefit Catholic Charities' social service programs in Mercer, Burlington, Ocean, and Monmouth Counties. For ticket information, call 394-5181.

Mr. Bracken is executive vice president of First Union Bank, and head of Government Banking for New Jersey, New York and Connecticut. He began his career as a management trainee with the NJ National Bank, in 1969.

He was appointed by NJ Governor Christine Whitman to the board of trustees of the College of New Jersey, and as chair of the ISTEA Works for the NJ Coalition. He now chairs the Keep New Jersey Moving Initiative.

Mr. Bracken is also on the boards of several organizations, including the NJ State Chamber, NJ Alliance for Action, the Cancer Institute of New Jersey, New Jersey Network (NJN) and McCarter Theatre.

Princeton resident **Steven Feigenson**, 15, spent two weeks this summer as a Landmark Volunteer at the Paleontological Research Institution near Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y. The Institution houses more than two million fossil specimens; and he was part of a team involved in documenting the collection and in maintaining the facility.

David Guerzini, Spruce Lane, was certified as a display fireworks shooter by the Pyrotechnicians Guild International Inc. (PGI) on June 3, at the Nokesville, Va., Fire Department training facility. Mr. Guerzini passed a written examination and documented his lead pyrotechnician experience of 20 years with letters from professionals, and fire marshal certificates of competency from several states.

John Steinberg, M.D., president of the PGI, taught the all-day course, which is the only formal display fireworks certification course in the United States. It emphasized safety, legal compliances and technique. Topics included manual and electrical firing, design artistry, manufacturing processes, indoor theatre effects, motor carriage, National Fire Protection Association codes, and OSHA requirements.

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People

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Lawrenceville resident **Georgette Shamyer** was chosen by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs to participate in a selective 10-week summer internship known as the Hispanic Interns in Community Service program. The program exposes students to career opportunities in state government and other areas of public service.

Ms. Shamyer, a student at Mercer County Community College, will work for the Department of Education, IMS/Educational Technology for the term of the internship.

A West Windsor student, **Henry Huang**, is serving as an intern in the Washington, D.C., office of Representative Rush Holt. Mr. Huang recently completed his sophomore year at Cornell University, where he majors in policy analysis/pre-law. A graduate of West Windsor-Plainsboro High School, Mr. Huang plans to attend law school after graduation from Cornell.

Theodore Bleecker, The Great Road, will participate in the 14th annual summer program of the New York State Writers Institute at Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, N.Y. Mr. Bleecker, the author of *Staying on Top*, a historical mystery, has been accepted into the advanced month-long fiction program.

Faculty members include Russell Banks, recently Princeton University Clark Professor, and author of *Cloudsplitter* and *Continental Drift*; Joyce Carol Oates, Berlind Professor of Humanities at Princeton University; Pulitzer-Prize winner Oscar Hijuelos; Michael Ondaatje, author of *The English Patient*; and Poet Laureate Robert Pinsky.

Jennifer Wong, Drakes Corner Road, a senior majoring in surface pattern design at the College of Visual & Performing Arts, Syracuse University, Syracuse, N.Y., participated this summer in the college's visual arts program in Florence, Italy.

Max Wright, son of Richard and Margaret Wright, Jefferson Road, will study in Australia during the fall semester. Mr. Wright, a history major, is a junior at Ohio.

He will participate in an off-campus study program in Australia, sponsored by Butler University, Indianapolis, Ind.

Army Pvt. **Durlitch C. Douge**, son of Kettly D. and Jacques Moise, Redding Circle, recently graduated from the power-generation equipment repairer advanced individual training course at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Aberdeen, Md.

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TRANSFORMATION: Princeton resident and artist Marie Sturken titled this collage "Transformation V." Created from handmade flax paper, abaca, chine-collé, and hemp string, it will be on exhibit at Ellarslie, the Trenton City Museum, through September 24, as part of the Trenton Artists Workshop Association (TAWA) Two Thousand exhibition. Call 989-3632.

ART

"Art for Autism" To Take Place at TPC At Jasna Polana

The Barbara Piasecka Johnson Foundation will hold an "Art for Autism" auction on September 22, at the Tournament Players Club at Jasna Polana, 4519 Province Line Road.

Some invitations have already been issued for the event, the proceeds of which will support training in Poland for therapists and parents of children with autism. Mrs. Johnson, who will host the accompanying reception, is donating selected works of art by Polish masters from her collection.

Open for bidding also, will be a number of other items, such as golf with Gary Player; tickets to The Players Championship at TPC at Sawgrass; an all-expenses-paid-trip to Poland for two; lunch with Beverly Sills, along with a Lincoln Center tour and tickets for a Lincoln Center performance; and dinner cooked in your home by Patrick Verré, executive chef at the TPC at Jasna Polana.

Four area car dealers have also donated automobiles for a raffle, to be held in connection with the charitable auction and dinner. Raffle tickets are $100; and the winner will have an opportunity to select one of the four vehicles. Tickets may be purchased by mail; and they will also be sold on Palmer Square on August 12, 18, and 27, in a special booth.

Two area institutions devoted to serving the autistic population — the Princeton Child Development Institute and The Eden Family of Services — support the auction; and Christie's of New York will donate its resources and marketing expertise. A number of other businesses and institutions will provide their services or products free of charge.

Gary Player and Timothy W. Finchem, PGA Tour Commissioner, serve with David L. Holmes, president and executive director of The Eden Family of Services, and Patricia J. Krantz, executive director of the Princeton Child Development Institute, on the auction's honorary committee, which is chaired by Mrs. Johnson.

Other well-known members of the committee include Prince Albert of Monaco; Plácido and Marta Domingo; Franco Zefferelli; Beverly Sills; Robert Wagner; The Honorable Christine Todd Whitman; Jan Litwinski, chairman of LOT Polish Airlines; and John L. Steffens, vice chairman of Merrill Lynch.

Autism is a serious developmental disorder that affects approximately 15 of every 10,000 children. It affects approximately 10,000 children in Mrs. Johnson's native Poland, where there is a tremendous need to raise funds to train therapists who specialize in autism. The condition, while not yet curable, is treatable.

For more information on the auction, or to receive an invitation, call Pam or Ania at the Barbara Piasecka Johnson Foundation, at 688-1030; fax 688-1031; or visit the web site at www.artfor autismatjasnapolana.com.

Watercolor Society Seeks Exhibit Entries

Submissions to the Garden State Watercolor Society's 31st annual juried exhibition will be received on August 19, from 9 to noon, at the Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at Hamilton. Hand delivery only will be accepted. The show will take place from October 2 to December 8; and more than $5,000 in awards will be presented.

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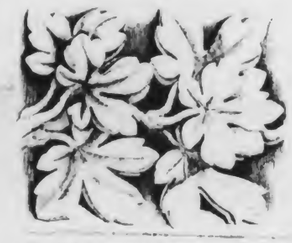

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Winning entries in the June Fete Children's Art Contest will be on display at Bucks County Coffee, Palmer Square, through August.

First-place winners in the Grade 1-3 category were Jenna Wandishin, St. Paul's School, and Jonathan Babcock, St. Ann's School, Lawrenceville.

Jamie Penaloza and Andrea Kopanja, both from Johnson Park School, garnered first places in the Grade 4-6 category.

A panel of six judges selected the four winners from more than 500 entries, submitted by students at elementary schools in Hopewell, Lawrenceville, Pennington, Princeton and West Windsor. The prizes were gift certificates donated by Jazam's, a toy store with locations in Princeton, Montgomery, and Pennington.

Judges also awarded eight honorable mentions. In the Grade 1-3 category, honorable mentions went to Abby Cryan, Johnson Park School; Riverside School students Carly Scheiner and Maggie Sowa; and Cassidy Bulk, Dutch Neck School, West Windsor.

In the Grade 4-6 category, Molly Johnson, Community Park School; Johnson Park School students Marielle Olentine and Vesna Petrin; and Maureen Farrell, St. Paul's School, all received honorable mentions.

In keeping with the Fete theme — "It's a Jungle Out There," the contest theme was "Jungle Fever." In the fall, greeting cards, on which the first-place work is reproduced, will be available for sale in the Princeton Hospital Gift Shop. All proceeds from card sales will go to support the cancer program at the Medical Center.

Princeton residents Bernadette Murphy and Amie Thornton served as co-chairs of the art contest.

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SPORTS

Brown Penalized For Improper Use Of Financial Aid

The Brown football team, last year's co-champion with Yale, will be playing this fall, but it won't be able to defend the title it won last November.

In an unprecedented action, the Ivy presidents have hit the University with a list of sanctions, after reviewing evidence that confirmed several Bruin athletes received special financial aid. Their action was the most severe ever taken against a league team since members of the Ancient Eight officially banded together with specific rules 44 years ago.

The strongest sanction was levelled at the football team. The Bears will play their full 10-game schedule, but will not be allowed to compete for the Ivy crown this fall. They may go 7-0 in league play, but the title will go to the next best team. In addition, the number of freshman football recruits Brown can sign up will be limited to just five in 2001 and 2002. Ivy teams normally bring in 35 players in the sport each fall.

Other sports will be hit as well. The men's basketball and soccer programs and women's volleyball will suffer a 25 percent cut in paid recruiting visits by prospective freshmen.

According to the Providence Journal certain Brown alumni and coaches encouraged athletes and recruits to seek money from the Brown Sports Foundation — money that would be available regardless of demonstrated need. Ultimately the University reviewed charges involving two athletes and eight recruits. The NCAA ruled that the students were not at fault and remain eligible to compete.

As a result of the investigation, Dave Zucconi, executive director of the foundation, cannot have any contact with athletic recruits. And the foundation will now be part of the development office.

Brown Penalized Itself

After the charges surfaced in April, the University had sought to penalize itself, and indeed both Jeff Orleans, executive director of the Ivy Council of Presidents, and the NCAA had accepted the plan. However, the Ivy presidents, meeting last week, felt more severe sanctions were needed.

Part of their thinking may have revolved around the fact that the league has always kept a tighter rein on football than any other sport. The excesses that began to show up at other college football programs in the 1950's were the main reason the Ivy teams adopted such stringent rules.

Spring practice was banned until just a few years ago, and football is still the only sport where Ivy teams are prohibited from playing in NCAA post-season tournaments. And regardless of the sport, the idea of giving extra financial support to athletes is one of the fundamental no-nos of the Ivy League. Athletes and non-athletes are to be treated equally with regard to financial aid, and that must be given in cases of demonstrated need.

Brown's football coach Phil Estes believes it all was a misunderstanding.

Quoted in the Trenton Times last week, Estes said, "We are not cheaters. I think the league has treated us as cheaters. No cheating was involved, just a misunderstanding on some people's part."

Columbia's president George Rupp, chairman of the Council of Ivy Group Presidents, believes otherwise.

"The league's prohibition against any special financial aid for athletes is perhaps the most fundamental of all league rules. Which is why the Council is determined to make clear that the remedies for violations of this rule will be severe," Rupp said.

Estes won't win that battle, but he already plans to use penalties as a motivational tool for the season. "If we win every game, who can deny we're the best," Estes said. We can turn the Ivy League trophy into a second place trophy."

Estes may be remembering the success Penn had in 1998 after it had to forfeit all but one of its victories in 1997, because it used an ineligible player. The Quakers rebounded the following fall and won the Ivy title with a 6-1 mark, finishing 8-2 overall.

As for the Princeton football team, there are other thoughts, going back to the second Saturday last October when the Tigers were humiliated by Brown 53-30. Those 53 points were the most ever scored by a league team against Old Nassau in the 131 years the sport has been played here.

Did some excess money to a few athletes have anything to do with that? Of course not, but you would like to think everybody is playing by the same rules when you take the field.

—Jeb Stuart

Football Registration Set for This Weekend

The Princeton Youth Football League will be holding registration for its upcoming season at the Princeton Recreation Department, Witherspoon Street, on August 11, from 6 to 8 p.m.; August 12, from 9 to 11; and August 13 from 11 to 1.

Registration is for 9 to 14 year olds, grades 5 through 8.

On-field registration for those unable to make the first three dates will be available from August 14 to 18, at 6, during practice on the Princeton High School football field.

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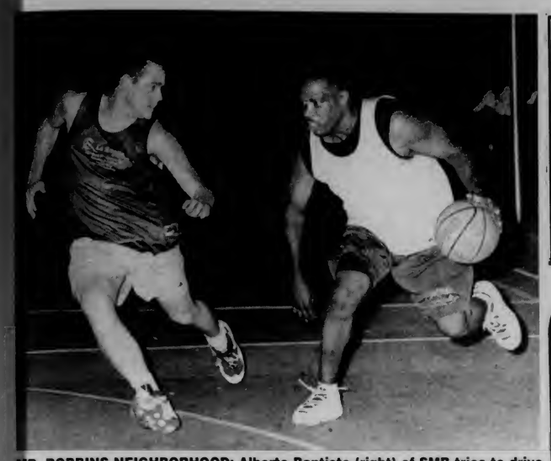
MR. ROBBINS NEIGHBORHOOD: Alberto Baptiste (right) of SMB tries to drive around La Borgata defender Ray Robbins during the Princeton Recreation League's summer basketball action on July 21. La Borgata picked up the win in a rain shortened game.

HOLDING HIS GROUND: SMB's Will Entwistle (left) keeps his feet planted on the ground and his eyes on the ball as Gabe Lewullis (center) of La Borgata tries to make a move to the basket in Princeton Recreation League summer basketball action.

George's Roasters Wins Summer Hoops Championship Title

George's Roasters & Ribs captured its first Princeton Recreation Department Summer Basketball League championship with a 59-41 win over SMB in the best of three series on August 2. The game was originally scheduled to be played on July 31, but was rained out. Greg Burston was spectacular again, scoring 18 points to help his team clinch the title. Marshawn Ferguson scored 17, and Princeton University basketball player Eugene Baah scored 13 to help the winners.

Harold Driver and Will Entwistle scored 12 points apiece for SMB. The team finished the season with an 8-6 record.

Burston earned the Foreal Wooten Award as the playoff MVP. He averaged 20.3 points per game in the playoffs. La Borgata's Chris Carlton was awarded the Ron Washington Award for dedication and service to the league. He has been in the league since it was founded in 1988.

George's needed overtime to fend off SMB 73-69 in the first game of the championship series. Greg Burston scored 27 points to lead the winners to a 1-0 advantage in the best of three series. Bram Reynolds, who scored 18 points, sank four clutch free throws in overtime to clinch the win for George's.

SMB's Alberto Baptiste, the league's scoring champion, missed the game with a pulled hamstring. Driver scored 20 points for SMB, while Kelly Williams and Mike Vreeswyk tallied 13 in the losing cause.

SMB, George's Advance

SMB upset top seeded La Borgata 48-38 in semifinal action on July 28. Vreeswyk scored 15 points and Driver added 12. After suffering two losses to La Borgata in the regular season, SMB captured the victory that meant the most. Gabe Lewullis scored 13 points for La Borgata.

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Sports

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George's won the second semifinal game of the night 46-42 over the third seed and defending champion, Ivy Inn. Burston scored 16 points and Reynolds added 11 for the winners, while Khaliq Lewis scored 15 points for Ivy.

In the first quarterfinal game on July 26, Alberto Baptiste scored 12 points to lead SMB over N.Y. Sports Club 55-43. Bobby Davison scored 10 points for the winners, while Marquis Johnson chipped in 14 for NYSC.

Ivy Inn advanced to the semifinals with a 71-57 win over LPNY-Think in the second quarterfinal game of the night. Lewis scored 20 points and Blitz Wooten scored 18 for Ivy. Noah Scovronik led LPNY with 19 points. The win set up a rematch between Ivy, and last year's other finalist, George's Roasters.

Quarterfinal Action

In quarterfinal action from July 24, top seeded La Borgata used 31 points from Lewullis and 15 points from Scott Schroeder to defeat PYS 85-61. Nilay Sethi led PYS with 28 points.

George's Roasters advanced to the semifinals with a 56-37 win over Dr. V. in the second quarterfinal game. Reynolds led George's with 20 points, while Clinton Counts led Dr. V with 12 points.

In the final regular season game of the summer on July 21, PYS defeated LPNY-Think 41-40. Jacob Uitti scored 18 points, including five three-point goals, giving his team its first win of the season. Bill Freeman chipped in 16 points for PYS, while Noah Scovronik led LPNY with 13 points.

La Borgata knocked off SMB 43-28 in the rain shortened second game. Ray Robbins scored 21 points, and Lewullis scored nine for the winners. Entwistle and Baptiste scored eight points for SMB.

N.Y. Sports Club defeated Dr. V 64-57 in the first game of the night on July 19. Jesse Carter led NYSC with 20 points, and Ron Ira added 16 in the winning cause. Lorenzo Bethea led Dr. V with 15 points.

In the second game, Burston scored 22 points, and Reynolds added 17 as George's beat Ivy Inn 61-45. Moda Dowling led Ivy with 12 points.

—Steve Allen

9-Year-Old Little Leaguers Win Hopewell Tourney

Princeton's 9-year-old sluggers are hoisting a trophy, celebrating their July 14 championship in the Hopewell baseball tournament. The team defeated Hopewell 7-2 to win the title after eliminating New Hope Solebury 10-0 earlier in the week.

James Mooney was the winning pitcher for Princeton in the final game, with Eric Peterson throwing three shutout innings in relief. The game closed out two weeks of tournament play, with Princeton posting a 9-2 record during the stretch.

Princeton finished fourth out of 18 teams in the Washington Township tournament, defeating Ewing 16-6, Lawrence 13-2, and Cherry Hill 11-0. Their only two losses in the double elimination tournament came at the hands of two powerhouse teams, Washington and Monroe.

Throughout their championship run, Princeton was led by pitchers Billy Page and Mooney, who also turned in a stellar defensive performance at second base. First baseman Will Henry and third baseman Will Slade also sparkled defensively. Peterson led the team in batting with a .660 average, while Brian Dunlap and Jake Kneller came up with several clutch hits.

—Steve Allen

THEY GOT GAME: Princeton's 9-year-old Little League baseball team took home the trophy in the Hopewell Tournament on July 14, defeating the host team 7-2. Kneeling from left to right are Will Henry, Eric Peterson and Trevor Horan. In the second row are Holden Warriner, Will Slade, Brian Dunlap, David Staller, Jake Kneller, Gavin Escobar, James Mooney and Matt Zack. Third row, Coach Larry Peterson and scorekeeper Richard Staller. Not pictured are Lou Marchetta, Billy Page, Travis Henderson, Matt Ullman, coaches Mike Ullman, Tom Dunlap and Tony Marchetta.

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Lacrosse Camp Teaches Kids Basics of the Game

The instruction was terrific, the venue was spacious, and the weather cooperated, for the most part, during this year's lacrosse camp for 10-15 year-olds, held at Princeton Day School from July 17-21.

Three of the area's top coaches, PDS varsity lacrosse coach Pete Higgins, PHS varsity lacrosse coach Pete Stanton, and East Brunswick varsity lacrosse coach Kerry Wigner, were all on hand to provide instruction.

Higgins directed the camp, and said the hope is that kids will develop a real passion for the game. "It's a chance for them to meet new kids," he said. "They will play against each other in high school. It creates a good rivalry."

Princeton Day student Ryan Palsho said a lot of the instruction was review, and that the kids concentrated on the basics. His favorite part of camp was the end of the day scrimmages. "It's fun and it's competitive," he stated.

15-year-old Alex Chaleff said, "The camp is good for developing basic skills, with an emphasis on technical background, and moving off the ball."

The camp was held for the second year, and the number of participants has grown. "Enrollment is going up in the camps because the area is booming in lacrosse," said Higgins. "It's nice making new friendships and meeting new people."

PDS hockey and lacrosse player Brendan Douglass, who is entering the eight grade in September, said he learned how to improve his ball skills during camp. His favorite part of the day is also scrimmaging, and he likes the simulation drill "back in the hole."

Thirteen-year-old Brad Hawkins said, "It's basically fun, shooting on goal and knocking the ball around. Scrimmaging is my favorite part, because we get to show all of the stuff that we learned during the day."

The kids worked on timing, accuracy, and transitional drills, among others, during the week. They were visited by lacrosse world team player Reid Jackson, and two time lacrosse world team player Tim Goldstein on July 21.

—Steve Allen

RE-LAX-ING: These kids and their instructors are enjoying a break during lacrosse camp at Princeton Day School recently. Approximately 45 kids participated in the camp, which is in its second year of existence.

Local Girl Wins Central Jersey Tennis Tourney

Call her a champion, call her gifted, call her talented. Whatever the case, 14-year-old Stacey Kalinina is on a roll, winning four tournaments in two months.

Her latest championship came at the Central Jersey Tennis Tournament, played July 28-30, where she defeated Montgomery's Shicho Kawashima 6-0, 6-0.

Kalinina, an incoming freshman at Princeton High School, has also won the Princeton Clay Championship, the Princeton Tennis Program Open Tournament, and the Quebec Championship, which was played in Lenoxville, Canada.

—Steve Allen

A TRUE CHAMPION: Stacey Kalinina recently won the Central Jersey Tennis Championship, her fourth championship in the past two months.

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CHANGES FOR THE BETTER: Gathered for the announcement that Princeton's only movie theater will undergo a $600,000 facelift were, top row, from left, George Fett, project architect; Howard Ende, Princeton University general counsel; bottom row, Borough Mayor Marvin Reed; Pamela Hersh, University director of community and state affairs; Louise Stephens, Theater Management Corp.; and Robert Durkee, University vice president for public affairs.

Garden Theatre

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The balcony will be taken out, which pleased Mayor Marvin Reed. "Many people have romantic memories of this," he said. "But for some people, before World War II, that was where they were sent." Although the theater's segregation ended 50 or 60 years ago, Mayor Reed said he was still happy that this last vestige was falling by the wayside.

"Anyone who has sat in the Garden's seats or used its restroom facilities knows that the theater is in need of significant improvement and upgrading," said Robert Durkee, University vice president for public affairs. "The Garden is not turning into a multiplex or moving into a mall. Its charm is that it will still be a two-screen, downtown theater — but now it will be able to offer a degree of comfort that moviegoers have a right to expect.

"I'm one of those people who have sat in these seats," Mr. Durkee added. "I have a strong personal interest in the renovation."

Ms. Stephens recalled the time she was on vacation on the Caribbean island of Nevis. "A man came from one of the golf courses into the inn I was at. I was introduced to him, and he started yelling at me about the seats in the theater."

Mr. Durkee noted that the University and Theater Management had spent nearly $200,000 on the building over the past seven years. "It became clear that we needed to make a more significant investment to keep the movie house running," he said.

The theater is a core part of students' educational experience, and an important facility for the University and the broader Princeton community, said Mr. Durkee. Approximately 40 percent of the Garden's patrons are University students.

When the theater reopens, it will have lost possibly 20 percent of its 600-seat capacity. Ms. Stephens said this was not a problem, since movie theaters are almost never completely filled. The only times The Garden was filled, she said, were for the two previews of *I.Q.* and for the several viewings of the 16mm film produced for the University's 250th anniversary.

But nearly every seat was taken for showings during the major blizzards several years ago. The other movie theaters in the area, impossible to access by foot, simply closed.

The renovation should make life a little easier for Mayor Reed. He said people would often tell him that they had seen a particular movie, and if that movie was also at The Garden, would add, apologetically, that they saw it elsewhere.

"They won't have to apologize any more," he said.

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OBITUARIES

Janine Louise Winant, Coventry Farm, died Sunday, August 6 after a long illness.

Born in Caux, Switzerland, and educated in Switzerland, she worked with the Swiss Embassy in London during the wartime period of the 1940s.

An ardent advocate of wildlife, she was a life member of the New Jersey Audubon Society, a Founder's Society member of the ASPCA, and she supported several other organizations committed to the preservation of wildlife.

She was the daughter of the late Jean and Marceline Perret of Montreux, Switzerland, wife of the late John G. Winant, and sister of the late Ginette Kelker. She and her sister were the last of the Perret lineage, whose ancestry dates back to the early 1200s in Switzerland.

Survivors include two sons, John G. Jr. of Princeton and Marion Eppley of Princeton Junction; and four grandchildren.

There will be a graveside service Friday, August 11 at 11:30 a.m. in Princeton Cemetery. A reception will follow at Coventry Farm, 549 Great Road.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the ASPCA, The Humane Society of the United States, National Wildlife Federation, or the N.J. Audubon Society.

Arrangements are under the direction of The Mather-Hodge Funeral Home.

Doris Westfall Dodge, 76, Alexander Street, died August 1 while on holiday with her family at Squam Lake, N.H.

She was a Princeton resident since 1983.

Born in Chicago, she graduated from the University of Chicago and later worked in advertising in New York. Following her marriage to David Dodge in 1952, she and her husband moved to Beirut, Lebanon, where they lived for many years.

An avid reader with many interests, she was well known and respected for her keen intellect, humor, skills and contributions as an editor, and for her compassion for those in need.

While in Lebanon, she spent considerable time and energy dealing with Lebanese and foreign embassy officials and local churches to assist young people in prisons on drug charges. She established a solid reputation for ensuring the fair treatment of these prisoners, helping them maintain contact with relatives and friends abroad. She also gave material and moral support to blind Lebanese university students and later, in Princeton, provided guidance and companionship to individuals in distress, while always shunning recognition.

She is survived by her husband; a daughter Nina and a son Simon, both of Washington, D.C.; a son Bayard, of Weston, Conn.; a daughter Melissa of Pittsburgh, Pa., and four grandchildren.

A memorial service will take place in the Princeton University Chapel Saturday, September 23, at 1:30 p.m.

Janine Louise Winant

John F. Locke, 76, of Guilford, Conn., died August 4 at St. Vincent's Hospital, Bridgeport, Conn., after a short illness.

He was born in Princeton, the grandson of the dean of Princeton University, Henry Burchard Fine. He grew up in Princeton, son of the late Bradford B. Locke Sr. and Philena Fine Locke. His mother was the first woman elected to public office in Princeton as a member of Borough Council. The family lived at 75 Library Place.

He graduated from Princeton Country Day School and attended Kent School in Connecticut and later South Kent School.

He worked in Eastern Aircraft in New Jersey during World War II.

He is survived by his twin brother, the Rev. Bradford Locke of Guilford, Conn. and a sister, Philena Locke Richards of Newcastle, Me.

A funeral Eucharist will be held Monday, August 14, at Christ Episcopal Church, 115 Church Street, Guilford, at 11 a.m. Burial will be in Princeton Cemetery, at the convenience of the family.

Jan Trenholm, 53, of West Windsor, died July 29 at Wilson Memorial Hospital in Johnson City, N.Y.

Born in Dayton, Ohio, she lived in Princeton Junction 15 years.

She was an attorney in New York City before retiring several years ago.

She was a member of Congregation Beth Chaim.

She graduated from Wright State University, Dayton, and New York University School of Law, where she was a Root-Tilden scholar.

She is survived by her husband, William L. Warren; a son, Andrew; a daughter, Alexandra; her father, Jack Trenholm of Dayton; and a brother, John Trenholm of Fort Wright, Ky.

Funeral was Monday at Congregation Beth Chaim, West Windsor. Burial was in Princeton Cemetery.

Period of mourning is being observed at the Warren residence, Princeton Junction.

Memorial contributions may be made to West Windsor branch of the Mercer County Library, 333 North Post Road, West Windsor 08550.

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QUESTION: *Stress is eating me alive. I work so hard & feel like I accomplish so little. You're a priest. Can prayer help me?*

ANSWER: Prayer in the form of meditation can quiet and refocus your mind. To take a step back empowers you to step forward with more power. I recently heard the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, The Rt. Rev. Frank Griswold, during a sermon quote the renown theologian, Thomas Merton: "We must learn to waste time conscientiously."

To make this clearer, let me give you *a thought* and *a process.*

A THOUGHT: In our competitive society, we are so consumed with *DOING* that we forget the beauty of our *BEING.* We are loved by God, a love that we rarely dare to claim. Drowning in self-doubt and criticism, we have often lost our first love — the memory of the love of God for us.

Therefore, we must accept our own "belovedness" — warts and all! Grace comes to you not when you believe yourself to be strong & perfect, but rather when you humbly admit your weakness & imperfection, and realize that God still loves you.

A PROCESS: Meditation is simple:

1. **Five Minutes:** If you are feeling overwhelmed, take 5 minutes from your busy day to return refreshed and surprisingly more productive.

2. **Comfort:** Sit in a comfortable chair in a quiet place. Do not fold your arms or cross your legs so as to be able to be still.

3. **Deep Breathing:** Slowly, take a series of deep breaths, noticing the sense of relaxation that spreads over your body.

4. **Focus:** Then, let your mind focus on one thought ("God loves me") or image (The Cross/Star of David). Reflect on its meaning for you. Or, simply clear your mind and concentrate on being quiet, not talking to God, but rather listening to what he might have to say to you.

5. **Distracting Thoughts:** When the rush of distracting thoughts inevitably occurs ("This is crazy; I should get back to work"), do not fight them, but also do not grab onto them. Just let them pass by, trying to remain focused on one vs. many things. Believe it or not, mastering this technique of staying focused is one of the principles that underlies stress management and success in business, let alone spiritual growth.

6. **Practice:** While this is not hard, it does take practice, as we are used to being ever busy. Yet, these 5 simple minutes each day will gradually give you a more profound sense of peace and of your own inner value that will fill the rest of your day.

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Obituaries

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Virginia Euell, 74, formerly of Princeton, died July 8.

She graduated from West Philadelphia High School and continued her studies at Wilberforce and Central State Universities in Ohio, graduating from the latter in 1948 with a B.S. in liberal arts. After returning to Philadelphia, she earned a master's degree and principal certification from Temple University.

She joined the Princeton Township schools in the mid-50's and remained with the Princeton district after regionalization. She was an assistant principal and principal of the middle school, a science teacher in the middle school, and a chemistry teacher in the high school. She also taught science in the Philadelphia public school system.

She was a co-founder of the Elizabeth Taylor Byrd Scholarship Foundation, which provided college scholarships to black students in Princeton.

An avid traveler, she visited Africa, Eastern Europe, Spain, Portugal, the Caribbean, and St. Thomas, V.I.

She served as director of programs for unwed mothers at Trenton Central High School, a program sponsored by the Urban League of Trenton.

She was a member of Camphor Memorial United Methodist Church, Philadelphia, for more than 60 years.

She is survived by three nieces, Kim and Yuma of California and Crystal of Philadelphia; a great-nephew, and a great-niece.

A memorial service will be held Monday, August 14 at noon at Camphor Memorial United Methodist Church, 5623 Wyalusing Avenue, Philadelphia.

Gulab "Gulu" Pahlajral Kirpalani, 68, Bouvant Drive, an environmental scientist, died July 27 at home. The cause was multiple myeloma, a cancer of the white blood cells.

Born in Hyderabad, Sind, Pakistan, and brought up in New Delhi, India, Mr. Kirpalani graduated from the University of Bombay with a B.S. degree. He took graduate courses at Columbia University.

He spent most of his career with Arco Chemical Company or one of its subsidiaries. After retiring from Arco, he started his own environmental testing laboratory.

In addition to his wife, Dixie, Mr. Kirpalani is survived by two sisters, Ratna and Sheila Jhanglani of Bombay; and two brothers, Hiru of Bangalore, India, and Chandru of Bombay.

A memorial service was held Saturday at Trinity Church.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Multiple Myeloma Research Fund, New York Presbyterian Hospital, 525 East 68 Street, New York, N.Y. 10021.

James Murray Kopliner Sr., 73, of New Bern, N.C., formerly of Princeton, died July 31 at Craven Regional Medical Center.

He was a member of Christ Episcopal Church and the New Bern Golf and Country Club. He served in World War II in the U.S. Marine Corps in the Pacific. Mr. Kopliner played minor league baseball for the New York Giants as third baseman.

He is survived by his wife, Libby Wrenn Kopliner; seven children, James M. Jr., Richard J. and Chris, all of Princeton; Stacy K. Bonette of Princeton; Karen Wrenn Clevenger of New Bern, Laurie Wrenn Shoulars of Raleigh, N.C., and J. H. Wrenn III of Raleigh; a brother, Michael Kopliner of Princeton; a sister, Dorothy Stonaker of Hightstown; and 12 grandchildren.

Memorial services were held August 1 at Christ Episcopal Church. The Rev. Dr. Patricia M. Thomas officiated. Interment was in Christ Church Courtyard.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Kidney Foundation of N.C., Inc., P.O. Box 2383, Chapel Hill, N.C. 27514.

Michael Savko, 94, of Princeton Junction, died August 2 at The Medical Center at Princeton.

Born in Trenton, he was a lifelong area resident.

He retired from Princeton University and previously worked with Ajax Engineering Corp.

Husband of the late Marion Sergeant Savko, he is survived by a daughter, Ann Thornton of Hopewell; two granddaughters; and a great-granddaughter.

Funeral was private. Burial was in Fountain Lawn Memorial Park, Trenton.

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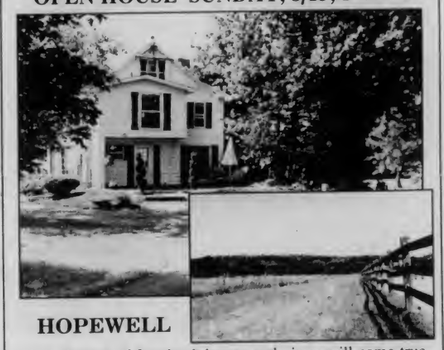
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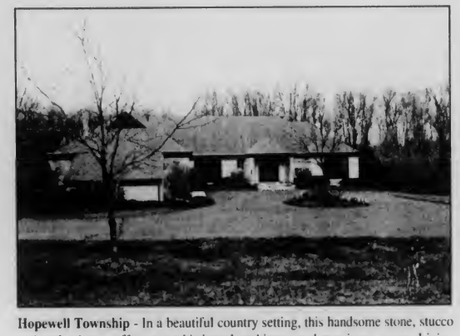
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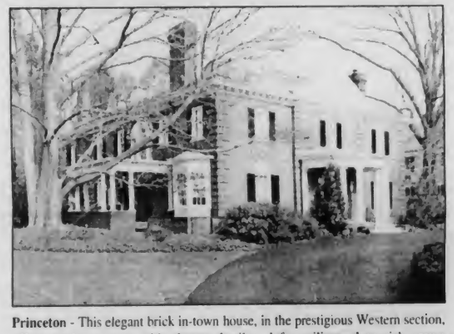
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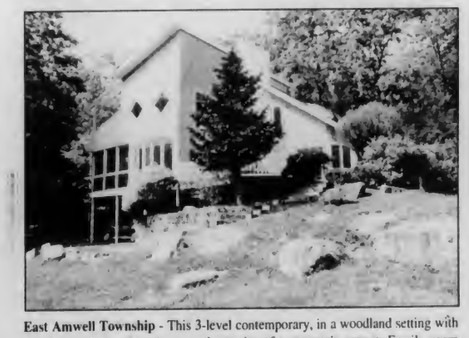
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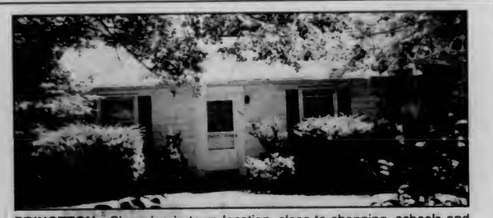

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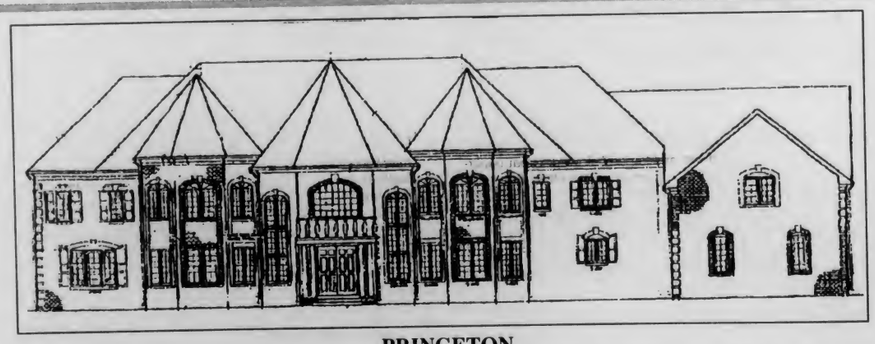

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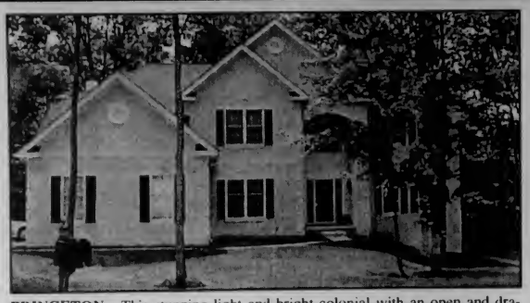

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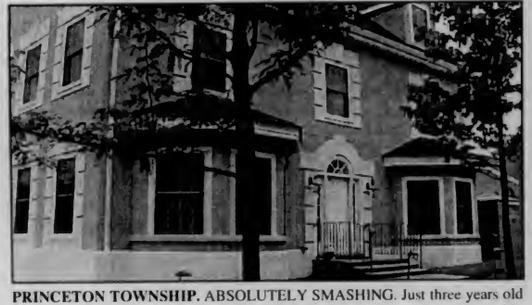

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